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Submitted herewith is/are:

1. Transmittal Form (1 pg.);
2. Amendment and Response (11 pgs.);
3. Request for Consideration of References Previously Submitted (3 pgs.)
4. Copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, related papers (10 pgs.), and copies of references (B1-B7, C1-C14), originally submitted to the USPTO on August 31, 2001, and stamped as received by the USPTO on September 4, 2001;
5. Copies of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, related papers (9 pgs.), and copies of references (B8-B14), originally submitted to the USPTO on October 5, 2001, and stamped as received by the USPTO on December 11, 2001;
6. Copies of the Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, related papers (17 pgs.), and copies of references (B15-B27, C15-C107), originally submitted to the USPTO on July 10, 2003, and stamped as received by the USPTO on July 14, 2003; and
7. Return receipt postcard.

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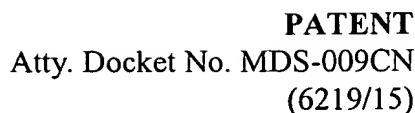
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REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF REFERENCES PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to Office Action, Paper No. 8, mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“PTO”) on September 2, 2003, in connection with the patent application identified above. The Examiner included with the Office Action copies of previously submitted PTO-1449 forms. The Examiner indicated she did not consider any of the Foreign Patent Documents (B References) or any of the Other Art, Journal Articles, Etc. (C References). The Examiner indicated “No Copies” on each of the PTO-1449 Forms regarding the B and C references. Applicants hereby request an initialed copy of each of the PTO-1449 forms previously submitted in connection with this application. PTO-1449 forms were submitted on August 31, 2001, October 5, 2001, and July 10, 2003.

PTO-1449 Form Submitted on August 31, 2001

According to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 and as indicated on the enclosed documents, on August 31, 2001 Applicants submitted to the PTO an Information Disclosure Statement including form PTO-1449. Applicant subsequently received the return receipt postcard stamped as received by the PTO on September 4, 2001. A copy of this postcard is enclosed.

Applicants submit that the required documents were timely and properly submitted to the PTO as evidenced by the enclosed Certificate of First Class Mail identifying the required documents and the return receipt postcards acknowledging receipt of same and stamped as received by the PTO on September 4, 2001.

Request for Consideration of Reference Previously Submitted
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Accordingly, Applicants enclose herewith a copy of the PTO-1449 form that was submitted on September 4, 2001 and a copy of the B (B1-B7) and C (C1-C14) references cited. Applicants hereby request that the Examiner initial the references on the enclosed copy of this PTO-1449, indicating that these references have been considered.

PTO-1449 Form Submitted on October 5, 2001

According to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 and as indicated on the enclosed documents, on October 5, 2001 Applicants submitted to the PTO a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement including form PTO-1449. Applicant subsequently received the return receipt postcard stamped as received by the PTO on December 11, 2001. A copy of this postcard is enclosed.

Applicants submit that the required documents were timely and properly submitted to the PTO as evidenced by the enclosed Certificate of First Class Mail identifying the required documents and the return receipt postcards acknowledging receipt of same and stamped as received by the PTO on December 11, 2001.

Accordingly, Applicants enclose herewith a copy of the PTO-1449 form that was submitted on October 5, 2001 and a copy of the B (B8-B14) references cited. Applicants hereby request that the Examiner initial the references on the enclosed copy of this PTO-1449, indicating that these references have been considered.

PTO-1449 Form Submitted on July 10, 2003

According to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 and as indicated on the enclosed documents, on July 10, 2003 Applicants submitted to the PTO a Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement including form PTO-1449. Applicant subsequently received two return receipt postcards (one corresponding to references A133-A192 and one corresponding to references B15-B27) each stamped as received by the PTO on July 14, 2003. A copy of these postcards are enclosed.

Applicants submit that the required documents were timely and properly submitted to the PTO as evidenced by the enclosed Certificate of First Class Mail identifying the required documents and the return receipt postcards acknowledging receipt of same and stamped as received by the PTO on July 14, 2003.

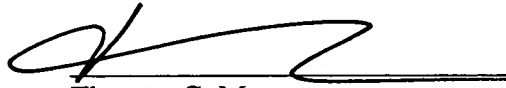
Accordingly, Applicants enclose herewith a copy of the PTO-1449 form that was submitted on July 10, 2003 and a copy of the B (B15-B27) and C (C15-C107) references cited. Applicants hereby request that the Examiner initial the references on the enclosed copy of this PTO-1449, indicating that these references have been considered.

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Applicants believe no fees are due upon submission of this paper. ~~If any fees are due, the~~
Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

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